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In re Application of
Schade et al.
Serial No. 09/381,484
Filed: February 28, 2000
For: Use of Docosahexanoic Acid and
Arachidonic Acid Enhancing the
Growth of Preterm Infants

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Box Non-Fee Amendments
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Office Action dated March 14, 2001, Paper Number 6, please
amend the Application and consider the Remarks as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel Claims 9-13.

Kindly amend the Claims as follows:

4. (Amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein the ratio of ARA:DHA is 1:1 to 3:1.

Kindly add the following Claims:

14. An infant formula suitable for enhancing the growth of preterm infants, the
improvement comprising the inclusion in said preterm infant formula of a growth
enhancing amount of DHA and ARA.

15. The infant formula of Claim 14 wherein the ratio of ARA:DHA is 1:2 to 5:1.

16. The infant formula of Claim 14 wherein the ratio of ARA:DHA is 1:1 to 3:1.

17. The infant formula of Claim 14 wherein the ratio of ARA:DHA is about 2:1.

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